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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: M. NIE, et al
Serial No.: 09/803,209
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Title: SERVICE MEDIATING APPARATUS
Art Unit: 2655
Examiner: M. Lewis

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 10, 2005

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding final Office Action dated August 10, 2004, and as a result of the filing of a Notice of Appeal on January 10, 2005. A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C. No. 50-1417 (Case No. 501.41888X00).

Respectfully submitted,

MATTINGLY, STANGER & MALUR, P.C.

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